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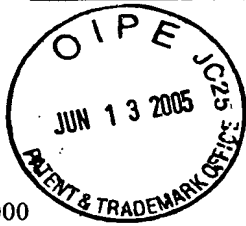
IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-GLUTAMIC ACID BY FERMENTATION ACCOMPANIED  
BY PRECIPITATION:



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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1636

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